

TO: The Honorable Commissioner of Patents
Washington, District of Columbia 20031



RE: Owens Application No. 09/053,832
Attn: Examiner C. Goodman Art Group 3724

Comes now the applicant, William Owens, and respectfully responds to the Detailed Action mailed 28 March, 2,000. This Reply is intended to satisfy all objections of the Examiner and applicant requests that objections to form and procedure be deferred until patentable subject matter is determined pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.111(b). Further, applicant certifies that there is no new matter injected into the specification or the claims by the amendments thereto contained in this Reply, in accordance with 37 C.F.R. 1.121 & 1.125. This Reply consists of this document, the Declarations of applicant and Dennis M. Langlitz and the Memorandum of Law submitted herewith. Please make the amendments, deletions and additions to the specification, claims and drawings contained herein.

Respectfully submitted, 6/26/00

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DETAILED REPLY

1. Applicant takes exception to the conclusion in paragraph 2 that "claims 9 - 12 have been withdrawn from further consideration since these claimed features are not shown in the elected species. FIG 8 is a version of the